

Pheasey & Paddock Local Neighbourhood Partnership – 17th January 2006

Funding priorities for action report

Portfolio:	Community Engagement
Service Area:	Neighbourhood Services
Wards:	Pheasey Park Farm & Paddock

Summary of report

The purpose of this report is to inform the LNP of the progress of the projects the LNP have agreed to fund to date from their £22,000 resource allocation.

Recommendations

The LNP agree:

1. To note progress on projects
2. That project champions feedback progress at the next LNP meeting

Projects Updates

- **Collingwood Centre & Park Hall CA:**

Park Hall CA – The project is now completed. Refurbishments have taken place including replacing broken furniture, replacing curtains and repainting community area. Pictures of improvements are attached.

Collingwood Centre – The CA has received funds into their account, however due to unforeseen circumstances the project has not yet been completed. The funds will be pay for improvements in a new office, however the office is currently undergoing other work i.e. electrical fittings, which is delaying further improvements such as repainting, furniture fittings etc.

- **Community Bus:**

All project forms have now been completed and signed off. The transfer of funds is in process and the project is scheduled to start in January 2006.

- **Doe Bank Park ‘Skate Park’:**

Councillor Adrian Andrew, Park Champion and Sam Mills from Leisure & Community Services have initiated a working group for Doe Bank Park. An initial meeting took place in December which was attended by Cllr Andrew and Sam along with LNP officers. It was agreed at the meeting to contact

members of the Friends Group which is currently dormant and launch a recruitment and publicity drive to increase interest in a Friends Group. Along with the skate park many other ideas were discussed such as refurbishing the car-park, improving the grass verge area where people park, new benches, litter and dog litter bins, new fencing and potential improvement to the park building. Further working group meetings will be organised to look at the overall improvement of the park which will encompass the skate park idea. The funds initially identified as a contribution towards this project are on hold pending the development of a larger scale development in consultation with local people. A report will be brought back to a future LNP meeting identifying how funds could be used in the most practical and effective way and contributing toward the development of a skate park.

- **Graffiti removal:**

The Graffiti on the Collingwood Shops precinct was removed by the 1st week of December 2005. The contractor who maintains the ATM at the Precinct in Treyamon rd removed the graffiti in Mid November 2005.

- **Chuckery Green:**

Cllr Sanders has advised that the identified funds could be used for improvements to the green, subject to local consultation and views of residents.

- **Barr Beacon Monument Project:**

The title of this research is *“The development of a Restoration and Management plan for Barr Beacon monument, including its current state, recommendations for its restoration and future management, timescales and costs etc, commissioned by a local stonemason company.”*

Diana West the Senior Countryside Ranger who looks after Barr Beacon Nature Reserve says that the company who are undertaking the report have stated that this piece of work is progressing well, and they are on track for a draft report, as agreed, for January 2006..

- **Arboretum bulbs:**

This project was discussed during the April 2005 LNP meeting. The LNP initially signposted this project to look at alternative sources of funding. Unfortunately the funding sources were not secured. As a result the project proposal forms have been agreed and signed by the chair since the last LNP meeting. The project has requested a contribution of £500 towards bulb planting in the Arboretum Park. The funds will be transferred as soon as possible, however due to the seasonal restrictions the bulbs will be planted during the latter part of 2006.

Other potential projects:

- A universal bin located at Gility shopping centre available to approximately 15 shops. This will make the area more attractive by encouraging shop owners to dispose of their rubbish in an appropriate manner. The bin which will cost in the region of £250, Street pride will need to confirm if there will be any collection costs attached to this.

Funding allocation by ward:

Paddock allocation	Actual Spend to date		Pheasey allocation	Actual Spend
Park Hall CA - £4,000	£4000		Collingwood CA - £4,000	£4000
Chuckery Green goalposts - £1,000	£0		Barr Beacon Monument Project - £1,000	£1000
Arboretum Bulbs - £500	£0		Community Transport - £3,500	£3500
			Graffiti Removal - £1000	£0
			Doe Bank Park, skate park - £1000	£0
Total: £5500	£4000		Total: £10500	£8500

Total resource available: £22,000

Total allocation across LNP: £16,000

Total actual spend across LNP: £12,500

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